



From the
Headmaster

Science & Geography in the forest



All of us will have been touched by the sombre, dignified events on Monday as we joined a global audience in marking the passing of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. We have had a week reflecting on, and celebrating the connections that make our community so special.

Our older years enjoyed success on the rugby pitch in competitive fixtures against Davenies. A Geography and Science field trip immersed boys in the wonders of the natural environment. Younger years connected with nature in our magnificent tree house.

Guided by the Merchant Taylors' Company, preparations for the Lord Mayor's Show in November continue. School Council began again in earnest, and we welcomed in a travelling book fair, developing our relationship with Chorleywood Book Shop. This morning, House meetings allowed older and younger boys to work together.

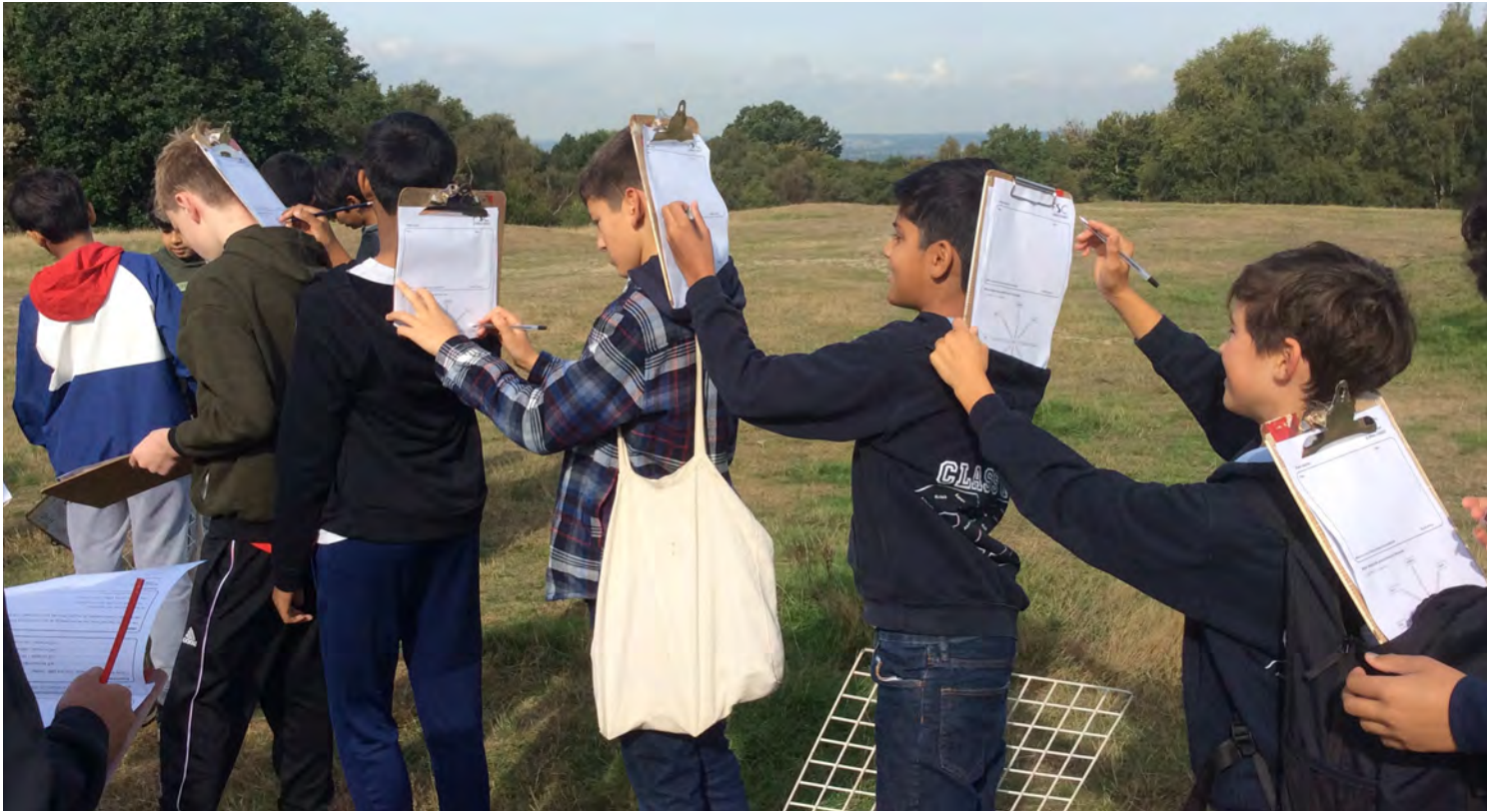
Our Pre-Prep thought about caring for others and have had fun supporting the 'Jeans for Genes' charity. We encourage all of these connections and are grateful for the opportunities they afford us. Good luck to all those in the Moor Park Fun Run on Sunday. See you there!

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Science and Geography field trip continued...



“ We enjoyed using scientific tools to explore the pond’s micro-habitats ”



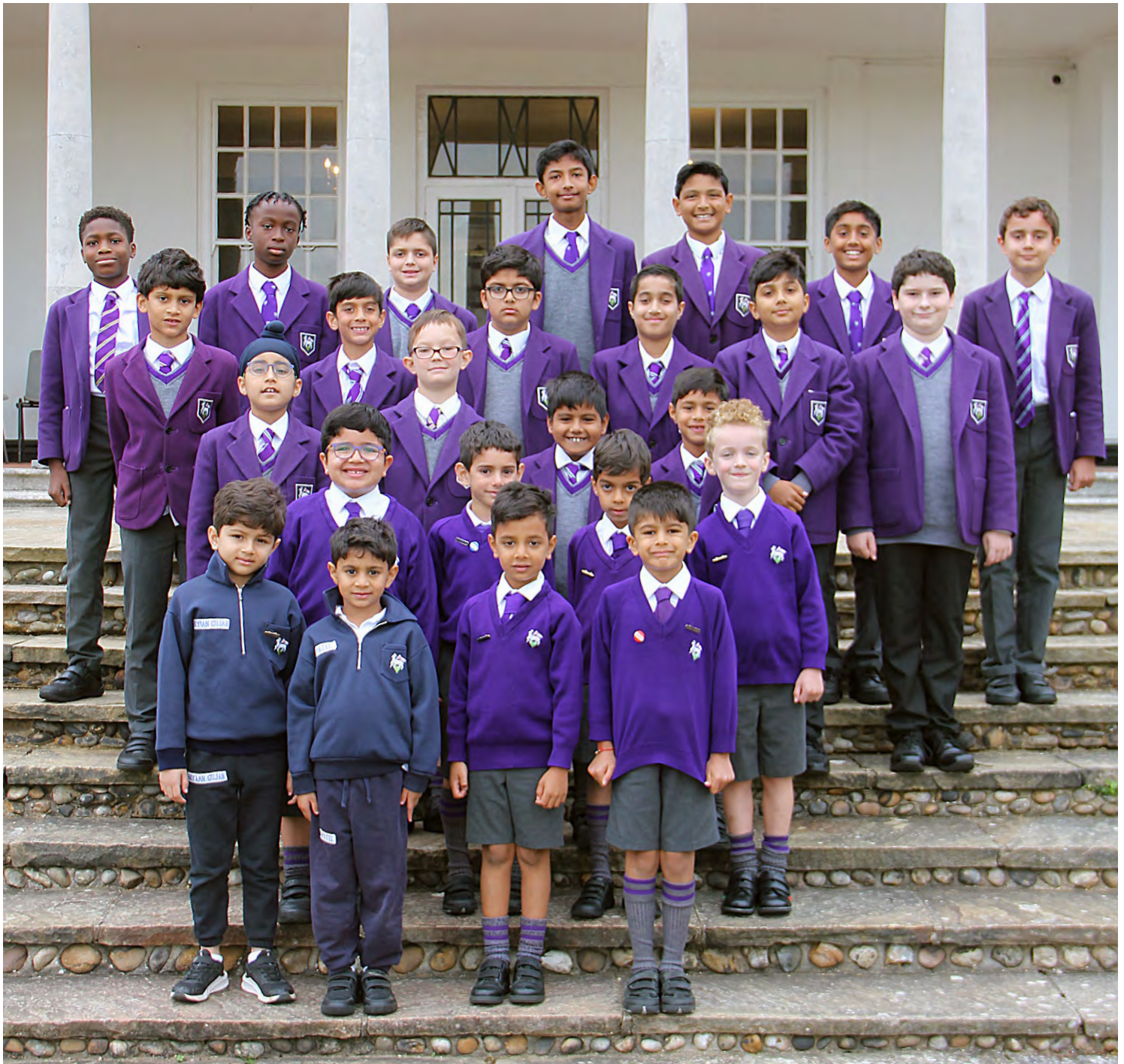
“ We looked at the effects of human activity on pillow mounds ”



Listening to the voices of all our boys

Wednesday morning saw the inaugural meeting of our brand new School Council. Boys were nominated by their classmates after presenting a proposal as to why they would be a good candidate. All boys in Years 1 to 8 are represented by the Council and so many good ideas and initiatives were shared in this first meeting including boys having a

creative writing book in which they can experiment with ideas without teacher comment and, of course, a request for international food week with a Chinese lunch high on the agenda! We look forward to working together as a team throughout the coming year to ensure that the pupil voice is clearly heard across the School.





book fair



“ Reading provides escapism and excitement ”

“ I like reading encyclopaedias and information books...
...and adventure stories ”



“ I like looking at cookbooks ”





St John's Astronomy Evening

Norman Hall 7.00 -8pm 29th September 2022

Come see the Moon, Jupiter and Saturn with the school's telescopes or bring your own. Please email Mr Lawrence at clawrence@st-johns.org.uk if you plan to attend.

CLASSICS TRIP

Salvete Pueri!

CLASSICS TRIP TO ITALY
Tuesday 14th to Saturday 18th February 2023
Open to all boys in Years 7 & 8

Please return your booking form as soon as possible, but no later than Friday 30th September, so that you don't miss out on this exciting opportunity. For further information, please contact Mrs Arron rarron@st-johns.org.uk

Don't delay – apply today!!!!!!



Getting to know you

Boys from Year 3 upwards are allocated into Houses and wear their House ties with pride. Today's House meetings were the chance for all the members of Churchill, Lawrence, Oates or Lincoln to get to know each other and build relationships across the year groups even if Jeans for Genes day meant some were not wearing their ties.





THIS WEEK



Jeans for Genes Day in the Pre-Prep and Juniors



“ We love wearing our home clothes to school ”



Jeans for Genes raises money for a good cause ”





THIS WEEK



Jeans for Genes Day continued...



“ It feels funny not to wear school uniform ”

Jeans for Genes day helps people who are ill ”





More things going on around the School



Eco club have been on the job picking up litter



Nathan has been practising the French horn



Svanik enjoyed the book fair



The Lambs sat very still to eat their fruit



Year 3 boys have been learning about 3D shapes



Making timelines in Year 4

Year 4 sometimes need putting in order. Fortunately, the emphasis was on chronological order this week. After studying how AD and BC dates are calculated, both forms made a human timeline. The boys had to sort themselves into the correct place without fuss. They did so effectively and quickly. Anyone fond of a pun might say they did it in a timely manner.



MUSIC



Playing together is part of our musical life

Our ensembles have all started working on brand new music and have enjoyed the opportunity to play together again.

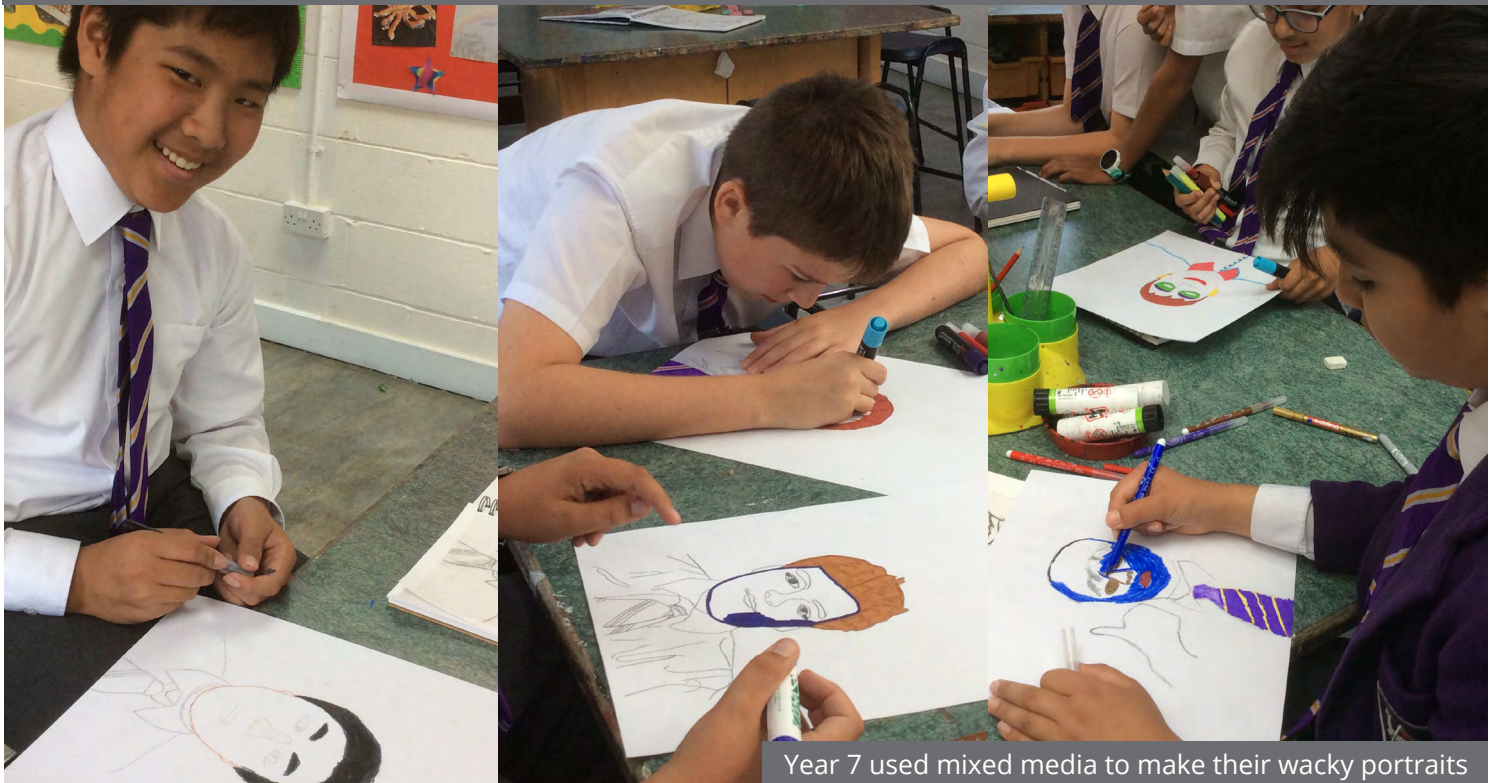




3D snouts and wacky portraits



Year 6 have been using recycled materials to make a 3D animal portrait. We have had fun with lots of experimental snout designs



Year 7 used mixed media to make their wacky portraits



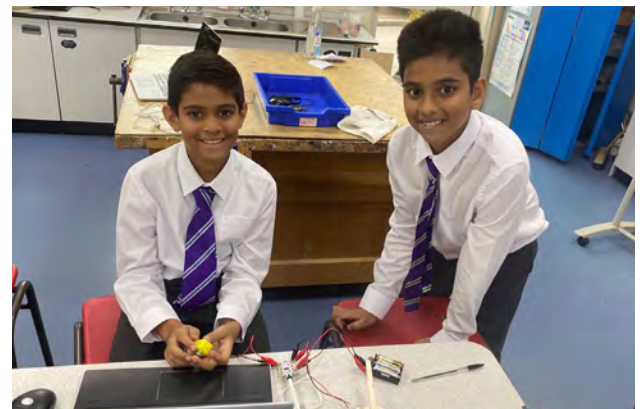
Getting to work in the DT&E studio



Huge thanks to Mr Stratton for all his work in DT&E and Science these last few weeks. We wish you continued success at Oxford!



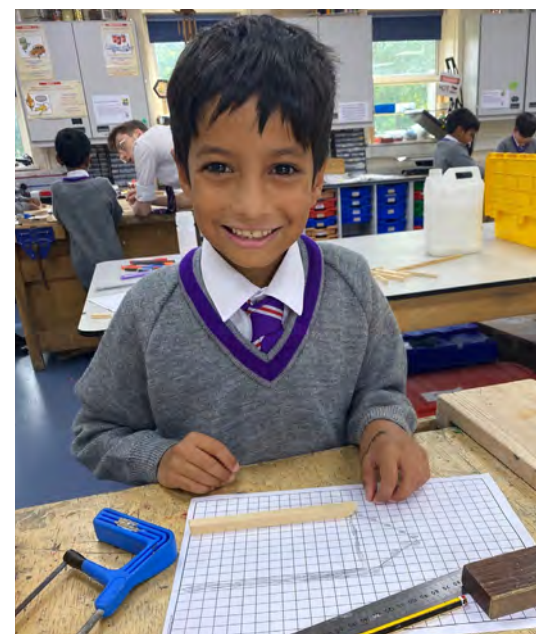
A thumbs up from Aarav and Yash as their programmed motors whizz into motion



Kayan and Kaiyan choose a helicopter design to test out their skills



Year 3 boys are discovering how we work and the tools we use



SPORT



This week our U13s and U12s met Davenies



U13A

Won 30-15 with tries from: Rafi Ahmed x2, Emerson Clifford, Shane Morrow x2 and Archie Pears

The 1st XV had a fantastic start to the season with a comfortable win against Davenies. We played some great rugby showing an array of skills and physicality across the board. We slowly built confidence throughout the game, with some excellent team tries.

U13B

Lost 10-3

For their first game of the season, the boys played a multi-format game against Davenies to ease themselves into the season. Unfortunately, we struggled to stop their strong runners in the contact parts of the games, and conceded a flurry of tries, but improved through the game and scored the final try with a great team effort.



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U12A

Won 55 - 10 with tries from Leo 2, Gen 5, Matthew 1 and Lucian 3

A convincing win for St John's, with strong defence and some glorious attacking rugby. We saw excellent teamwork, with forwards and backs combining really well. A great start to the season.

U12B

Lost 10-15 with tries from Harry 2 and Vineel 1

This was an even contest for most of the first half in this touch rugby game until Davenies scored a couple of tries just before half-time. In the second half we raised our game with Harry and Vineel both scoring tries before Davenies scored in the last minute to win 3-2 tries. A valiant effort boys. To improve, we need to work on holding the line.



ST JOHN'S SCHOOL

OPEN MORNING

Come and visit us on Wednesday 12th October, 2022. Register online via the website. Tours depart at 9.15 a.m with the Headmaster's address at 10.45 a.m.

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October Sports Camp

Krüger Camp is back after spectacular support and attendance during the summer, thank you! Ready and set for the coming half term, to play and be active with our friends.

As it is getting close to the football season, we thought we would offer more of what the boys (and girls) love so dearly!

For more information go to www.krugercamps.co.uk



Mount Vernon
Cancer Centre
Charitable Fund

10^k & funruns
MOOR PARK

Supporting projects and appeals that benefit patients
and staff at Mount Vernon Cancer Centre

Sunday 25th September '22

Merchant Taylors' School

- 10k walk
- Closed road chip timed 10k
- Junior fun runs
- Virtual 10k -
walk or run anytime, anywhere

Registration:
15 yrs +: £20.00
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Calendar & important dates

Contact details

Sunday 25th September: Moor Park Fun Run at Merchant Taylors' School

Monday 26th September: Year 6 Information Evening (6.30pm)

Tuesday 27th September: Teatime Recital in the Norman Hall (5.00pm)


Wednesday 28th September: Rugby v St John's Beaumont: U13A, B (h) U12A, B (a) (2.15pm)

Thursday 29th September: Astronomy Evening (7.00pm)

Friday 30th September: Macmillan Coffee Morning from 8.00am in the Norman Hall

Individual and Sibling photographs (Pre-Prep)

Updates: Please continue to visit www.st-johns.org.uk for all the latest information on sports fixtures and results. The website will have announcements in case of emergency.

 You can also follow us on twitter @stjnsnorthwood and our sports department @StJohnsNwSport

Mailings: If you would like to be sent a copy of the Lamb each week, please email: Lamb Editor. Let us know your contact details and you will be added to the list.

Photographs: Do please continue to send in pictures to lambeditor@st-johns.org.uk for inclusion in The Lamb. Many thanks.

Notices and reminders

Moor Park Fun Run Sunday 26th September: Last year St John's won the shield for the most entries – can we do it again? We hope lots of you will join us at Merchant Taylors' School this Sunday. Some teachers will be supporting and running and the SJA will be providing water and sweets. Boys should run in white School PE Kit and wear a school tracksuit before and after the race. There are more details on page 18.

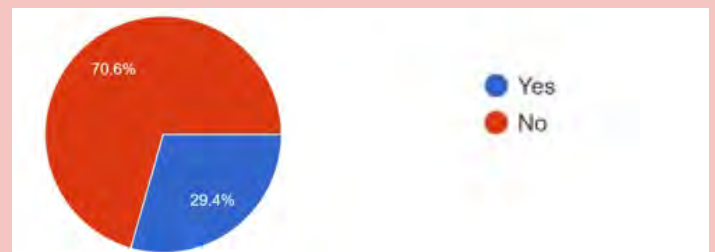
The event raises money for the Mount Vernon Cancer Centre. Here is the link should you wish to [make a donation](#): The entry form can be [downloaded here](#).

Astronomy Evening Thursday 29th September 7.00pm – 8.00pm: Come and see the Moon, Jupiter and Saturn with the School's telescopes, or bring your own. Please e-mail Mr Lawrence if you plan to attend: clawrence@st-johns.org.uk

Building Emotional Resilience, a webinar for parents Friday 30th September 12.30pm-13.30pm: You are invited to join a Lunch and Learn Webinar presented by Samantha Abraham from "Brilliant Parents." You can hear Samantha talking about the event [here](#). Click on this link to register for this fascinating event [Building Emotional Resilience Event Registration](#)

Macmillan Coffee Morning Friday 30th September: Please join us for a Macmillan Coffee morning on Friday 30th September from 8.30am in the Norman Hall. So why not come along and support this important cause whilst catching up with your St John's friends? You can [donate here](#) and we look forward to seeing you on Friday.

Votes for schools: Last week's question: Is it a good time to become Prime Minister?



Next week's question: Do you feel comfortable with change?

House Points: 1st Lincoln 9.80, 2nd Churchill 9.64, 3rd Oates 8.97, 4th Lawrence 7.71

Have a lovely weekend.